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9 JUNE 1964



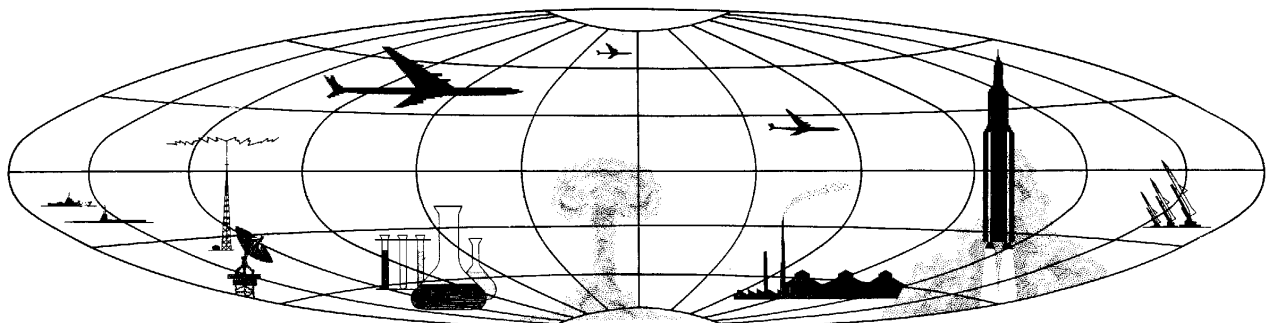
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PREFACE

THIS MISSION COVERAGE INDEX (MCI) LISTS THE INTELLIGENCE TARGETS IMAGED ON THE PHOTOGRAPHY OF [REDACTED] MISSIONS 1056 AND 1057 DATED 9 JUN 64 AND COVERING LAOS. ITEMS ARE ARRANGED IN SECTIONS --

SECTION I PROVIDES SHORT DESCRIPTIONS FOR NEWLY IDENTIFIED TARGETS AND PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TARGETS SHOWING CHANGES, AND ALSO PROVIDES ORDER OF BATTLE INFORMATION.

SECTION II PROVIDES A LISTING OF THOSE TARGETS WHICH REFLECT NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES FROM THE MOST ADEQUATE PREVIOUS DESCRIPTION. THE MCI IN WHICH THIS DESCRIPTION APPEARS IS DESIGNATED BY THE APPROPRIATE MISSION NUMBER, PREFIXED BY THE LETTERS NAC AND APPEARING AS THE LAST ENTRY ON THE PHOTO REFERENCE LINE. MILITARY INSTALLATIONS WHERE THERE IS NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN FACILITIES AND WHERE NO ORDER OF BATTLE CAN BE DETERMINED ARE LISTED UNDER THIS SECTION.

SECTION III PROVIDES A LISTING OF THOSE TARGETS WHICH COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT NOT INTERPRETED.

TARGETS IN EACH OF THE SECTIONS ARE ARRANGED 1) BY COUNTRY, 2) WITHIN THE COUNTRY ACCORDING TO SUBJECT, 3) WITHIN THE SUBJECT BY WAC AREA, AND 4) WITHIN THE WAC AREA BY GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES IN

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ASCENDING ORDER. AN EXPLANATION OF COLUMN HEADINGS AND PHOTO REFERENCES USED IN PRESENTING THE INFORMATION IS CONTAINED IN THE APPENDIX. THE MAP BASE USED (WHEN AVAILABLE) FOR THE DERIVATION OF COORDINATES IN THIS MCI IS THE LATEST EDITION OF THE AMS SERIES L509, SCALE 1:250,000.

THE USER OF THIS MCI IS CAUTIONED THAT THE SCAN OF PHOTOGRAPHY WAS ACCOMPLISHED IN A RELATIVELY SHORT TIME AND OFTEN WITHOUT THE AID OF PRECISE ANALYTICAL AND MENSURAL TECHNIQUES COMMONLY EMPLOYED IN DETAILED PHOTOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS. CONSEQUENTLY, ALTHOUGH THE INFORMATION PRESENTED HEREIN IS ESSENTIALLY ACCURATE, ADDITIONAL, DETAILED ANALYSIS MAY SOMEWHAT ALTER PORTIONS OF THE INFORMATION.

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SECTION I

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Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
			BE	NPIC
-LAOS-				
MILITARY INSTALLATIONS				
BAN LOUO AREA, DEFENSE POSITIONS ONE NM ENE OF BAN LOUO AT UTM UG213399. TWO UNOCCUPIED CIRCULAR TRENCH SYSTEMS ON ADJACENT HILLTOPS APPEAR ABANDONED. [REDACTED]	1920N 10318E	0617		130-Q
XIENG KHOUANG, DEFENSE POSITIONS FOURTEEN DEFENSE POSITIONS IN XIENG KHOUANG VICINITY. (REFERENCED FROM XIENG KHOUANG.) [REDACTED]	1920N 10322E	0617		130-D
POSITIONS A, B, C, AND G -- NO APPARENT CHANGE [REDACTED]				
POSITIONS D, E, F, H, I, AND J -- NOT OBSERVED.				
NEWLY IDENTIFIED POSITIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS --				
POSITION K (0.5 NM NE AT UTM UG297389) -- UNOCCUPIED 3-GUN AAA SITE AND NUMEROUS EMPLACEMENTS.				
POSITION L (ONE NM NNW AT UG285397) -- 2 UNOCCUPIED AAA POSITIONS, 2 STORAGE BUNKERS, AND APPROXIMATELY 30 FOXHOLES/AW POSITIONS.				
POSITION M (1.2 NM NW AT UG280405) -- UNOCCUPIED 3-GUN AAA SITE WITH 4 AW POSITIONS APPEARS ABANDONED.				

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			BE	NPIC
POSITION N (0.5 NM NORTH AT UG289393) -- 2 UNOCCUPIED AAA POSITIONS, PROBABLY ABANDONED. <div></div>				
25X1 XIENG KHOUANG AREA, AAA SITE 0.7 NM NNW OF XIENG KHOUANG AT UTM UG284396. AN OCCUPIED PROBABLE 37 MM AAA SITE, WITH 3 REVETTED POSITIONS, IN AN 8-POINTED STAR PATTERN. ONE CRATER ON WESTERN SIDE, NW AAA REVETMENT DAMAGED, NW BUILDING DESTROYED, AND NE BUILDING DAMAGED. REVETMENT IN CENTER OF SITE IS DAMAGED. DEBRIS SCATTERED THROUGHOUT AREA. NINE BOMB CRATERS OBSERVED IN AND WEST OF SITE. (SEE ATTACHMENT 1) <div></div>	1920N 10322E	0617		130-I
25X1 BAN KIN, STRONGPOINT 0.4 NM SE OF BAN KIN AT UTM UG248398. <div></div>	1921N 10318E	0617		130-R
25X1 DONG DANH, DEFENSE POSITION 0.3 NM SOUTH OF DONG DANH AT UTM UG140430. CIRCULAR TRENCH SYSTEM WITH 3 POSSIBLE AW	1922N 10313E	0617		479-G

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POSITIONS OBSERVED ON HILLTOP. SITE IS UNOCCUPIED AND APPEARS ABANDONED. <div></div>				
25X1 BAN KOSI, STRONGPOINT 0.3 NM SW OF BAN KOSI AT UTM UG196421. CIRCULAR TRENCHING WITH FIRING POSITIONS ALONG TRENCHES OBSERVED ON HILLTOP. OCCUPANCY UNDETERMINED. <div></div>	1922N 10317E	0617		130-S
25X1 BAN THA KAY AREA, STRONGPOINT 0.3 NM EAST OF BAN THA KAY AT UTM UG224415. APPARENTLY UNOCCUPIED STRONGPOINT CONSISTS OF 4 AW POSITIONS AND ONE BUILDING ENCLOSED BY CIRCULAR TRENCHING. <div></div>	1922N 10318E	0617		130-P
25X1 BAN THEUONG AREA, AAA SITE 0.7 NM WEST OF BAN THEUONG AT UTM UG089457. UNOCCUPIED 4-GUN AAA SITE OBSERVED WITH NUMEROUS EMPLACEMENTS AND FOXHOLES THROUGHOUT AREA. <div></div>	1923N 10310E	0617		479-H
25X1 BAN THEUONG, STRONGPOINT (2) TWO STRONGPOINTS IN BAN THEUONG VICINITY. STRONGPOINT 0.6 NM WEST OF BAN THEUONG (UTM UG094454) --- NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE <div></div>	1923N 10311E	0617		434-E
25X1 STRONGPOINT 1.2 NM WSW (UTM UG082450) --- RECTANGULAR TRENCH SYSTEM WITH NUMEROUS <div></div>				

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FOXHOLES AND ONE POSSIBLE AW POSITION APPEARS ABANDONED. <div></div>				
BAN THONG AREA, DEFENSE POSITIONS FOUR DEFENSE POSITIONS SW OF BAN THONG. (REFERENCED FROM BAN THONG.) POSITION A (0.6 NM SW AT UTM UG096436) -- SQUARE TRENCH SYSTEM WITH 4 PROBABLE AW POSITIONS AND AT LEAST 3 SMALL SHEDS. OCCUPANCY UNDETERMINED DUE TO OBLIQUITY. POSITION B (0.7 NM SW AT UG096433) -- CIRCULAR TRENCH SYSTEM WITH 3 PROBABLE AW POSITIONS AND AT LEAST 5 SHEDS. AREA APPEARS OCCUPIED. POSITION C (0.9 NM SW AT UG092436) -- CIRCULAR TRENCH SYSTEM WITH 3 POSSIBLE AW POSITIONS AND AT LEAST 3 SHEDS. AREA APPEARS ACTIVE. POSITION D (1.3 NM WEST AT UG082440) -- CIRCULAR TRENCH SYSTEM WITH SMALL TRENCH SYSTEM EXTENDING TO EAST CONTAINS AT LEAST 6 SHEDS. OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION. <div></div>	1923N 10312E	0617		434-F
BAN PA KON DEFENSE POSITIONS 0.4 NM NE OF BAN PA KON AT UTM UG087471. TWO HILLTOP CIRCULAR TRENCH DEFENSE POSITIONS OBSERVED. <div></div>	1924N 10310E	0617		479-F

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<p>-LAOS-</p> <p>MILITARY INSTALLATIONS</p> <p>25X1 XIENG KHOUANG, STRONGPOINT</p> <p>25X1 BAN NIOUN, STRONGPOINT</p>	<p>1921N 10319E</p> <p>1922N 10314E</p>	<p>0617</p> <p>0617</p>		<p>130-L</p> <p>479-D</p>

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<p>-LAOS-</p> <p>AIR INSTALLATIONS</p> <p>BAN NON HON AIRFIELD</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>XIENG KHOUANG AIRFIELD</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p>	<p>1926N 10305E</p> <p>1927N 10308E</p>	<p>0617</p> <p>0617</p>	<p>[REDACTED]</p>	<p>427</p> <p>130-A</p>

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COLUMN HEADINGS

City, Installation--This column contains the name of the city or town nearest the installation, followed by the name of the installation. If the name of the installation is not known, it is titled according to its function. Where appropriate, the city and installation names are followed by a capsule description.

Coordinates--Coordinates are referenced to the SW corner of the minute square. When the subject installation covers a wide area, coordinates are given for the approximate center of the installation.

WAC--This column provides the World Aeronautical Chart number for that area in which the subject installation is situated.

Installation Numbers--This column is divided into two subcolumns. The first subcolumn lists, when known, the BE installation number assigned to the installation. The second subcolumn lists the installation number assigned by NPIC. Installation numbers, when used to reference an item, should be prefixed by the appropriate WAC number, since installation numbers are repeated from WAC to

WAC. For example, there is an NPIC target number 0499-15-A and an NPIC target number 0498-15-A. In each instance, the NPIC installation number is 15-A, but the installations appear on different WAC charts.

COMOR TARGET NUMBERS

Target numbers assigned by the Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance (COMOR), when available, are listed directly above the photo reference data.

PHOTO REFERENCE DATA

The photo reference data indicates the frame(s) on which the installation appears.

CONDITIONS AFFECTING PHOTOGRAPHY

Following the photo reference data, symbols indicate conditions which affect the appearance of the installation on the photography. The symbols are: C (clear); SC (scattered clouds); HC (heavy clouds); SC-HC (scattered-to-heavy clouds); H (haze); CS (cloud shadow); SD (semi-darkness); O (obliquity); and PQ (poor image quality).

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ATTACHMENT 1



XIENG KHOUANG, AAA SITE, LAOS

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